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# FRANCESTOWN

NEW HAMPSHIRE




*Town Reports*

*1970*



ANNUAL REPORTS  
*of the*  
Town Officers  
*of*  
Francestown, N. H.  
*for the*  
*Year Ending December 31, 1970*

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# TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator: — William C. MacAdam

Town Clerk: — Herman C. Miller

Town Treasurer: — Herman C. Miller

Selectman, 3 years: — R. Franklin Mace

Tax Collector: — Catherine H. Abbott      Term Expires 1972

Supervisors of the Checklist: — Eula Hardwick, William A.  
Lord, Israel Vadney, Jr.

Road Agent:— Robert Foote

Overseer of Public Welfare: — R. Franklin Mace

Trustees of Trust Funds: —

F. Russell Abbott      Term Expires 1971

Harold A. Varnum      Term Expires 1972

Clifton Foote      Term Expires 1973

Firewards: — Clifton Foote, Richard Leavitt, Norman Muz-  
zey, Norman Stewart, Lawrence Kullgren

Library Trustees: —

Donald Born      Term Expires 1971

Priscilla Kunhardt      Term Expires 1972

Constance Dodge      Term Expires 1973

Cemetery Commission: —

Israel Vadney, Jr.      Term Expires 1971

Dorothy L. Miller      Term Expires 1972

Stanley Rainey      Term Expires 1973

## List of Appointments — 1970

Planning Board:	Term Expires
Eula Hardwick	1971
Royal S. Cleaves	1972
Blake Tewksbury	1973
Phillip W. Ireland	1974
Edward E. Jones	1975
George A. Bourgeois	1975
R. Franklin Mace, Ex-Officio	

Board of Adjustment:

F. Russell Abbott	1971
Alfred Lonnberg	1972
Harold A. Varnum	1973
Clifton Foote	1974
Robert Duncan	1975

Conservation Commission:

Carolyn Lord	1971
Liesel Gilman	1972
Priscilla Kunhardt	1973

Advisory Board:

O. Allen Thulander	1971
Harold A. Varnum	1972
Phillip W. Ireland	1973
Robert F. Caskie Jr.	1974
John H. Underhill	1975

Board of Highway Safety  
(1969)

Donald E. Hoyt  
Norman C. Muzzey  
Norman J. Stewart  
Edward J. Irwin  
O. Allen Thulander

Police Matron:

Elizabeth Stewart

Civil Defense:

Allan Thulander

Safety Commission: (1970)

Louis Wiederhold

History Committee:

John Schott  
Clarence Farrar  
Evelyn Vadney  
Donald Marsden  
Clifton Foote

Historian:

Constance Dodge

Ballot Inspectors:

Winifred Hoyt  
Shirley Jones  
Gladys Vadney  
Gladys St. John

Police Officers:

Norman J. Stewart, Chief  
Lawrence R. Kullgren  
Richard F. Leavitt  
John G. Coakley, Special

# BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN, N. H.

**Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 1971 to December 31, 1971 Compared with Estimated and Actual Revenue, Appropriations and Expenditures of the Previous Year January 1, 1970 to December 31, 1970.**

<b>SOURCES OF REVENUE</b>	<b>Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1970</b>	<b>Actual Revenue Previous Year 1970</b>	<b>Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1971</b>
<b>From State:</b>			
Interest & dividends tax	\$19,620.00	\$27,125.53	\$20,000.00
Savings bank tax	789.00	789.73	800.00
Meals & rooms tax	2,356.00	2,402.92	2,500.00
<b>From Local Sources</b>			
<b>Except Taxes:</b>			
Dog licenses	400.00	382.20	375.00
Business licenses, permits and filing fees	50.00	75.00	75.00
Rent of town hall and other buildings	100.00	183.00	175.00
Motor vehicle permit fees	6,800.00	8,078.63	7,500.00
Sale of town property		80.00	
Reimbursements a/c 6% Business profits tax (Town portion only)	504.00	1,913.59	555.00
<b>From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes:</b>			
(a) Poll taxes—regular at \$2	518.00	554.00	550.00
(c) Yield taxes	2.00	1.60	500.00
<b>Total Revenues from All Sources Except Property Taxes</b>	<b>\$31,139.00</b>		<b>\$33,030.00</b>
<b>Amount to be raised by Property Taxes</b>	<b>21,665.34</b>		<b>24,679.67</b>
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$52,804.34</b>		<b>\$57,709.67</b>



# BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN, N. H.

APPROPRIATIONS	Approp. Previous Year 1970	Actual Expend. Previous Year 1970	Estimated Approp. Ensuing Year 1971
<b>General Government:</b>			
Town officers' salaries	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,461.01	\$ 2,400.00
Town officers' expenses	1,600.00	1,492.92	1,600.00
Election & registration expenses	180.00	256.00	225.00
Expenses town hall and other town buildings	1,200.00	2,151.61	1,400.00
Employees' retirement and social security	250.00	528.04	600.00
<b>Protection of Persons and Property:</b>			
Police department	1,000.00	1,094.11	1,500.00
Fire department	1,683.80	1,766.36	1,875.00
Moth exterm. — blister rust and care of trees	250.80	265.00	300.00
Insurance	3,100.00	3,172.50	2,675.00
Planning and zoning	125.00	249.65	300.00
Damages and legal expenses	300.00	250.45	500.00
<b>Health:</b>			
Vital statistics	10.00	7.25	10.00
Town dump and garbage removal	675.00	938.00	1,000.00
<b>Highways and Bridges:</b>			
Town maintenance — summer	11,000.00	11,490.59	12,000.00
Town maintenance — winter	12,000.00	16,567.34	14,000.00
Street lighting	728.88	789.62	800.00
General expenses of highway department	2,000.00	2,931.63	2,000.00
<b>Libraries</b>	3,112.00	3,112.00	3,292.00
<b>Public Welfare:</b>			
Old age assistance	600.00	714.50	750.00
<b>Patriotic Purposes:</b>			
Memorial Day and Veterans' Associations	10.00		10.00
<b>Public Service Enterprises:</b>			
Cemeteries	300.00	300.00	300.00
Advertising and Regional Associations	322.00	322.00	403.00
<b>Interest:</b>			
On temporary loans	1,800.00		1,200.00
On long term notes & bonds	776.62		1,000.00
<b>Outlay for New Construction and Permanent Improvements:</b>			
State Aid Construction — Town's Share (Hwys. & Bridges)	1,380.24		1,369.67
<b>Payments on Principal of Debt:</b>			
(b) Long term notes	6,000.00		6,000.00
(c) Payment to Capital Reserve Funds		1,600.00	
<b>Total Appropriations</b>	<u>\$52,804.34</u>		<u>\$57,709.67</u>

# TOWN WARRANT

## THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

*To the Inhabitants of the Town of Francestown in the County of Hillsborough in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:*

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Francestown on Tuesday, the ninth day of March, next at ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same.

3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow a sufficient sum of money to pay current expenses in anticipation of taxes, or take any action relating thereto.

4. To see if the Town will vote to accept ownership of the assets of the Francestown Village Fire District from said District; namely the fire apparatus including a hand tub and related equipment, a hose reel, the water holes, the District records, and a savings account in the amount of \$91.75 plus accrued interest, or take any action relating thereto.

5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to transfer the responsibility for certain assets of the Francestown Village Fire District, namely the hand tub and related equipment, the hose reel, and the District records, to the Francestown Volunteer Fire Department, in the event of acceptance of these assets by the Town, or take any action relating thereto.

6. To see if the Town will accept title to the Trufant Triangle located in Mill Village, in memory of Converse P. and Grace C. Trufant, or take any action relating thereto.

7. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to issue annual permits to establish and/or operate a wholesale or retail business in the Town. The Board of Selectmen, when granting or denying this permit, shall consider the preservation of the attractiveness of the Town, its desirability as a place in which to live and do business, the safeguarding of health, welfare, morals convenience and safety of its citizens, property values, and an orderly growth in the future. For each such permit, the Board of Selectmen shall collect and pay to the Town Treasurer the sum of two dollars (\$2). Appeals from the decision of the Selectmen may be made to the Board of Adjustment. A sum not to exceed five dollars (\$5) per day shall be imposed for failure to comply with this Ordinance.

8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) to defray the cost of one year's membership in the New Hampshire Municipal Association, or take any other action relating thereto.

9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred Twelve Dollars (\$412.00) to support the services of the Monadnock Community Visiting Nurse Association, Inc., or take any other action relating thereto.

10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Fifty-Seven Dollars (\$157.00) to support the services of the Monadnock Family and Mental Health Service, or take any other action relating thereto.

11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) to support the services of the Monadnock Health and Welfare Council, or take any other action relating thereto.

12. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) to re-roof the Highway Garage, or take any other action relating thereto.

13. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) to be put in the Capital Reserve Fund for future road equipment, or take any other action relating thereto.

14. To see if the Town will vote to have the property assessment on all land and buildings published annually, or take any other action relating thereto.

15. To see if the Town will vote to restrict the hours of operation of snowmobiles within the limits of the Town boundaries to the hours between 10 a.m. and 9 p.m., and to prohibit their operation entirely within the boundaries of the Village zone, or take any other action relating thereto.

16. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to obtain the written consent of a majority of persons owning land abutting that portion of a road to be widened or paved in any calendar year, before such widening or paving is undertaken.

17. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) and authorize the Selectmen to hire the State Tax Commission to revalue the Town of Francestown, or take any other action relating thereto.

18. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this sixth day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one.

Donald E. Hoyt,  
Walter C. Dodge,  
R. Franklin Mace,  
Selectmen of Francestown

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

Donald E. Hoyt,  
Walter C. Dodge,  
R. Franklin Mace,  
Selectmen of Francestown

**TOWN MEETING**  
**TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN, N. H.**  
**March 10, 1970**

Art. 1. Town Officers Elected:

Town Clerk — Herman C. Miller

Town Treasurer — Herman C. Miller

Selectman for 3 years — R. Franklin Mace

Highway Agent — Robert M. Foote

Library Trustee for 3 years — Constance Dodge

Trustee of Trust Fund for 3 years — Clifton F. Foote

Cemetery Commissioner for 3 years — Stanley A. Rainey

Firewards, Clifton F. Foote, Lawrence R. Kullgren, Richard  
 F. Leavitt, Norman C. Muzzey, Norman J. Stewart

Overseer of Public Welfare — R. Franklin Mace

Art. 2. Budget: Voted with the exception of the increase  
 of insurance on the Town Garage; increase the insurance  
 on the Library to \$25,000.00, Town Hall \$35,000.00,  
 Fire Station \$12,000.00, as recommended by the Select-  
 men.

Amended Budget:

Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 2,400 00
Town Officers' Expenses	1,600 00
Election and registration expenses	180 00
Expenses town hall and other town buildings	1,200 00
Employees' retirement and social security	250 00
Police department	1,000 00
Fire department	1,683 80
Moth exterm. — Blister rust and care of tree	250 80
Insurance	3,100 00
Planning and zoning	125 00
Damages and legal expenses	300 00
Vital statistics	10 00
Town dump and garbage removal	675 00
Town maintenance — summer	11,000 00
Town maintenance — winter	12,000 00
Street lighting	728 88
General expenses of highway dept.	2,000 00
Town road aid (Town's share)	1,380 24
Libraries	3,112 00
Old age assistance	600 00
Memorial Day and Veterans' Association	10 00



Cemeteries	300 00
Advertising and Regional Associations	322 00
Interest on temporary loans	1,800 00
Interest on long term notes and bonds	776 62
Payments on Principal of Debt-Long term notes	6,000 00
County Taxes	12,000 00
School Taxes	112,498 00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$177,302 34</b>

Art. 3. Voted to authorize the Selectmen to borrow a sufficient sum of money to pay current expenses in anticipation of taxes.

Art. 4. Voted to raise and appropriate a sum of \$300.00 to be placed in the Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of defraying expenses to be incurred in up-dating the Town History and in celebrating the Town's Bicentennial Anniversary.

Art. 5. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 to be put in the Capital Reserve Fund for future Road Equipment.

Art. 6. Voted to accept from the Francestown Improvement Society, a parcel of land described in a deed recorded in Vol. 956 Page 135, providing that a deed given to the Town will show the meets and bounds and they be properly made out and put on the ground and a deed recorded.

Art. 7. Voted to have property assessments on all land and buildings published every third year beginning with 1971.

Art. 8. Voted that the use of Creamery Dam Pond other then for fire protection be restricted to fishing by children 12 years and under.

Art. 9. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00) to purchase two Radio Monitor sets.

Art. 10. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00) said sum to be placed in the Capital Reserve Fund for future replacement of Fire Trucks.

Art. 11. Voted by ballot      Yes 93      No. 60

March 12, 1970      Respectfully submitted,  
HERMAN C. MILLER, Town Clerk

## SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall, Lands and Buildings	\$ 32,500 00
Furniture and Equipment	5,000 00
Libraries, Lands and Buildings	21,500 00
Furniture and Equipment	5,000 00
Fire Department, Lands and Buildings	15,500 00
Equipment	40,000 00
Highway Department, Lands and Buildings	7,000 00
Equipment	10,000 00
Materials and Supplies	1,000 00
Dump (Land)	2,000 00
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	\$139,000 00

## CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Date: January 25, 1971

Donald E. Hoyt,  
Walter C. Dodge,  
R Franklin Mace,  
Selectmen of Francestown

Herman C. Miller, Treasurer

DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING  
STATE TAX COMMISSION

Concord, New Hampshire

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

January 19, 1971

Board of Selectmen  
Francetown  
New Hampshire

Gentlemen:

Submitted herewith is the report of an examination and audit of the accounts of the Town of Francetown for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1970, which was made by this Division in accordance with the vote of the town. Exhibits as hereafter listed are included as part of the report.

One of the audit reports must be given to the Town Clerk as part of the permanent records.

SCOPE OF AUDIT

Included in the examination and audit were the accounts and records of the Board of Selectman, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Town Clerk, Library Treasurer, Cemetery Treasurer, Fire Department, and Trustees of Trust Funds.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

*Comparative Balance Sheets: December 31, 1969—December 31, 1970: (Exhibit A-1)*

Comparative Balance Sheets as of December 31, 1969, and December 31, 1970, are presented in Exhibit A-1. As indicated therein the Net Debt decreased \$11,740.87 during 1970.

*Analysis of Change in Financial Condition: (Exhibit A-2)*

An analysis of the change in financial condition of the Town during the year is made in Exhibit A-2, with the factors which caused the change indicated therein. These were as follows:



### *Decreases in Net Debt*

Long Term Notes Paid	\$6,000.00
Net Budget Surplus	5,740.87
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Net Decrease in Net Debt	\$11,740.87

### *Comparative Statements of Appropriations and Expenditures—Estimated and Actual Revenues: (Exhibits A-3 and A-4)*

Comparative statements of appropriations and expenditures, estimated and actual revenues for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1970 are presented in Exhibits A-3 and A-4. As indicated by the budget summary (Exhibit A-4), a net revenue surplus of \$10,198.76, less a net overdraft of appropriations of \$4,457.89, resulted in a net budget surplus of \$5,740.87.

### *Summary statement of Receipts and Expenditures: (Exhibit B-1)*

A summary statement of receipts and expenditures for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1970, made up in accordance with the uniform classification of accounts, is included in Exhibit B-1. Proof of the Treasurer's balance as of December 31, 1970, is indicated in Exhibit B-2.

## AUDIT PROCEDURE

The accounts and records of all town officials charged with the custody, receipt and disbursement of public funds were examined and audited in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as were considered necessary in the circumstances.

Verification of uncollected and unredeemed taxes was made by mailing notices to delinquent tax payers as indicated by the Tax Collector's records. Consequently, the amounts of uncollected and unredeemed taxes as indicated in this report are subject to any changes which may be necessitated by the return of verification notices.

## GENERAL COMMENTS

### *Current Surplus:*

The current surplus (excess of total assets over current liabilities) increased by \$5,740.87, from \$6,902.30 to \$12,643.17, during the fiscal year ended December 31, 1970, as shown herewith:

	December 31, 1969	December 31, 1970
Total Assets	\$68,034.82	\$98,419.60
Current Liabilities	61,132.52	85,776.43
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Current Surplus	\$ 6,902.30	\$12,643.17

### *Conclusion:*

The provisions of Chapter 184 of the Laws of 1955 require that the auditors' summary of findings and recommendations (letter of transmittal) shall be published in the next annual report of the Town. Publication of the Exhibits contained in the audit report is optional, at the discretion of the Board of Selectmen.

We extend our thanks to the officials of the Town of Francestown for their assistance during the course of the audit.

Very truly yours,

Frederick E. Laplante, Director  
Division of Municipal Accounting  
State Tax Commission

**DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING  
STATE TAX COMMISSION**

**Concord, New Hampshire  
January 19, 1971**

**TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN**

*Certificate of Audit*

This is to certify that we have examined and audited the accounts and records of the Town of Francestown for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1970.

Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly, included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as were considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the Exhibits included herewith present fairly the financial condition of the Town of Francestown as of December 31, 1970, together with the results of operations for the fiscal year ended on that date.

Respectfully submitted,

Frederick E. Laplante, Director  
Division of Municipal Accounting  
State Tax Commission

# EXHIBIT A-1 TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN

## Comparative Balance Sheets As of December 31, 1969 and December 31, 1970

ASSETS	December 31, 1969	December 31, 1970
<b>Cash:</b>		
In Hands of Treasurer	\$28,235.97	\$71,553.87
In Hands of Tax Collector		11.12
Fire Depart. (Contra)	382.67	128.01
	<hr/> \$28,618.64	<hr/> \$ 71,693.00
Capital Reserve Funds (Contra)	12,165.71	14,423.69
<b>Due from State of New Hampshire:</b>		
Bounties	\$ 1.00	\$ 6.00
Head Tax Commission		65.30
	<hr/> \$ 1.00	<hr/> \$ 71.30
<b>Unredeemed Taxes:</b>		
Levy of 1969	\$	\$ 197.95
Levy of 1968	118.26	118.26
Levy of 1965	45.83	
	<hr/> \$ 164.09	<hr/> \$ 316.21
<b>Uncollected Taxes:</b>		
Levy of 1970	\$	\$11,750.40
Levy of 1969	26,885.38	
	<hr/> \$26,885.38	<hr/> \$ 11,750.40
<b>Uncollected State Head Taxes:</b>		
Current Year - State Account	200.00	165.00
	<hr/>	<hr/>
Total Assets	\$68,034.82	\$ 98,419.60
Net Debt	17,722.70	5,981.83
	<hr/>	<hr/>
Total Assets and Net Debt	\$85,757.52	\$104,401.43

Liabilities	December 31, 1969	December 31, 1970
<b>Appropriations Forwarded:</b>		
Class V Highway		
Maintenance	\$232.21	\$292.47
New Town Beach (Article 16)	108.57	
Planning & Zoning	7.61	
Town Hall & Building Maintenance	713.54	

Town Dump	142.00		
Street Lighting	69.96		
Principal of Debt	500.00		
Damages & Legal Expenses		49.55	
	<hr/>	\$1,773.89	<hr/>
			\$ 342.02
<b>Due State of New Hampshire:</b>			
Head Taxes —			
Uncollected	200.00	165.00	
Head Taxes — Collected,			
Not Remitted	603.00	653.00	
Yield Taxes — Collected,			
Not Remitted	1.88	.32	
	<hr/>	804.88	<hr/>
			818.32
Due Tax Collector — Error			
in Remittance		30.07	8.00
Yield Tax Security			
Deposit			100.00
Fire Department			
Funds (Contra)		382.67	128.01
School District Tax			
Payable	45,975.30		69,956.39
Capital Reserve			
Fund (Contra)	12,165.71		14,423.69
<b>Outstanding Indebtedness:</b>			
Long Term Notes	24,625.00		18,625.00
	<hr/>		<hr/>
Total Liabilities		\$85,757.52	\$104,401.43

## EXHIBIT A-2 TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN

### Analysis of Change in Financial Condition Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1970

Net Debt — December 31, 1969	\$17,722.70	
Net Debt — December 31, 1970	5,981.83	
Decrease in Net Debt	<hr/>	\$11,740.87

### Analysis of Change

<b>Decreases in Net Debt:</b>		
Long Term Notes Paid During Year	\$6,000.00	
Net Budget Surplus	5,740.87	
Net Decrease	<hr/>	\$11,740.87

## EXHIBIT A-3

### Comparative Statement of Appropriations and Expenditures Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1970

	Appropriations Forwarded From 1969	Appropriations 1970	Receipts and Reimbursements	Total Amount Available	Expenditures 1970	Unexpended	Balances Overdrafts	Appropriations Forwarded To 1971
<b>General Government:</b>								
Town Officers' Salaries	\$	\$ 2,400.00	\$	2,400.00	\$ 2,430.94	\$	30.94	\$
Town Officers' Expenses		1,600.00	4.30	1,604.30	1,496.92	107.38		
Election & Registration Expenses		180.00		180.00	256.00		76.00	
Town Hall & Bldg. Maintenance	713.54	1,200.00		1,913.54	2,151.61		238.07	
<b>Protection of Persons and Property:</b>								
Police Department		1,000.00		1,000.00	1,094.11		94.11	
Fire Department		1,683.80		1,683.80	1,766.36		82.56	
Blister Rust & Care of Trees		250.80		250.80	265.00		14.20	
Insurance		3,100.00		3,100.00	3,172.50		72.50	
Planning & Zoning	7.61	125.00		132.61	249.65		117.04	
<b>Health:</b>								
Vital Statistics		10.00		10.00	7.25	2.75		
Town Dump	142.00	675.00		817.00	938.00		121.00	
<b>Highways &amp; Bridges:</b>								
Town Maintenance — Summer		11,000.00	208.35	11,208.35	11,490.59		282.24	
Town Maintenance — Winter		12,000.00		12,000.00	16,567.84		4,567.84	

	Appropriations Forwarded From 1969	Appropriations 1970	Receipts and Reimbursements	Total Amount Available	Expenditures 1970	Unexpended	Balances Overdrafts	Appropriations Forwarded To 1971
Street Lighting	69.96	728.88		798.84	789.62	9.22		
General Expenses of								
Highway Department		2,000.00		2,000.00	2,931.63		931.63	
Town Road Aid		1,380.24		1,380.24	1,380.24			
Class V Highway Maintenance	232.21		5,204.99	5,437.20	5,144.73			292.47
Libraries		3,112.00		3,112.00	3,304.13		192.13	
Public Welfare:								
Old Age Assistance		600.00		600.00	714.50		114.50	
Patriotic Purposes:								
Memorial Day		10.00		10.00		10.00		
Public Service Enterprises:								
Cemeteries		300.00		300.00	300.00			
Unclassified:								
Advertising & Regional								
Associations		322.00		322.00	322.00			
Overlay (Discounts, Abatements								
and Refunds)		2,633.99		2,633.99	871.21	1,762.78		
Employees' Retirement and								
Social Security		250.00	113.60	363.60	528.04		164.44	
Damages & Legal Expenses		300.00		300.00	250.45			49.55



	Appropriations Forwarded From 1969	Appropriations 1970	Receipts and Reimbursements	Total Amount Available	Expenditures 1970	Unexpended	Balances Overdrafts	Appropriations Forwarded To 1971
<b>Interest on Debt:</b>								
On Long Term Notes		776.62		776.62	802.66			26.04
On Tax Anticipation Notes		1,800.00		1,800.00	1,133.35	666.65		
<b>Outlay for New Construction, Equipment &amp; Permanent Improvements:</b>								
Radio Monitor Sets (Art. No. 9)		300.00	37.90	337.90	337.90			
New Town Beach — Fence	108.57			108.57		108.57		
<b>Indebtedness:</b>								
Principal of Debt —								
Long Term Notes	500.00	6,000.00		6,500.00	6,500.00			
Payments to Capital Reserve Funds (Articles 4, 5 & 10)		1,600.00		1,600.00	1,600.00			
<b>Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:</b>								
School Tax	45,975.30	115,235.89	161,211.19	161,211.19	91,254.80			69,956.39
County Tax		15,412.78	15,412.78	15,412.78	15,412.78			
	<b>\$47,749.19</b>	<b>\$187,987.00</b>	<b>\$5,569.14</b>	<b>\$241,305.33</b>	<b>\$175,464.81</b>	<b>\$2,667.35</b>	<b>\$7,125.24</b>	<b>\$70,298.41</b>



# **EXHIBIT A-4** **TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN**

## **Comparative Statement of Estimated and Actual Revenues and Budget Summary Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1970**

<b>Taxes:</b>	<b>Revenues</b>			
	<b>Estimated</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Excess</b>	<b>Deficit</b>
<b>Current Year:</b>				
Property Taxes	\$155,319.00	\$155,330.27	\$ 11.27	\$
Poll Taxes	518.00	554.00	36.00	
Yield Taxes	2.00	1.60		.40
<b>Prior Years (Added Taxes):</b>				
Property Taxes		66.00	66.00	
Poll Taxes		4.00	4.00	
Interest on Taxes		467.98	467.98	
<b>From State of New Hampshire:</b>				
Interest &				
Dividends Tax	19,620.00	27,125.53	7,505.53	
Savings Bank Tax	789.00	789.73	.73	
Meals & Rooms Tax	2,356.00	2,402.92	46.92	
6% Business Profits Tax	1,913.00	1,913.59	.59	
<b>From Local Sources, Except Taxes:</b>				
Dog Licenses	400.00	382.20		17.80
Business Licenses, Permits & Filing Fees	50.00	75.00	25.00	
Rent of Town Property & Equip.	100.00	183.00	83.00	
Motor Vehicle Permits	6,800.00	8,078.63	1,278.63	
Head Tax Commissions	120.00	230.00	110.00	
Prior Year Refunds		501.31	501.31	
Sale of Town Property		80.00	80.00	
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	\$187,987.00	\$198,185.76	\$10,216.96	\$ 18.20

### **Budget Summary**

Actual Revenues	\$198,185.76	
Estimated Revenues	187,987.00	
Net Revenue Surplus	<hr/>	\$10,198.76
Overdrafts of Appropriations	\$7,125.24	
Unexpended Balances of		
Appropriations	2,667.35	
Net Overdraft of Appropriations	<hr/>	4,457.89
Net Budget Surplus		<hr/>
		\$5,740.87

**EXHIBIT B-1  
TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN**

**Classified Statement of Receipts and Expenditures  
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1970**

**RECEIPTS**

**Current Revenues:**

**Local Taxes:**

**Current Year:**

Property Taxes	\$142,981.54	
Poll Taxes	456.00	
Yield Taxes	1.92	
State Head Taxes	1,350.00	
	<hr/>	\$144,789.46

**Prior Years:**

Property Taxes	\$26,881.38	
Poll Taxes	68.00	
Head Taxes	185.00	
	<hr/>	27,134.38

Tax Sales Redeemed	544.86	
Interest on Taxes	467.98	
State Head Tax Penalties	22.00	
	<hr/>	\$172,958.68

**State of New Hampshire:**

Class V Highway Maintenance	\$ 5,204.99	
Interest & Dividends Tax	27,125.53	
Savings Bank Tax	789.73	
Fighting Forest Fires	41.28	
Meals & Rooms Tax	2,402.92	
6% Business Profits Tax	1,913.59	
	<hr/>	37,478.04

**From Local Sources, Except Taxes:**

Dog Licenses	\$ 382.20	
Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees	75.00	
Rent of Town Property and Equipment	183.00	
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	8,084.53	
	<hr/>	8,724.73

Total Current Revenue Receipts	<hr/> \$219,161.45
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**Receipts Other Than Current Revenues:**

Tax Anticipation Notes	\$40,000.00
Refunds	460.03
New Trust Funds	225.00
Sale of Town Property	80.00
Yield Tax Security Deposits	100.00

**Appropriation Credits:**

Town Officers' Expenses	4.30
Town Maintenance — Summer	208.35
Employees' Retirement and Social Security	113.60
New Equipment — Fire Department	37.90

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 41,229.18

Total Receipts from All Sources	\$260,390.63
Balance — January 1, 1970	28,235.97

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 Grand Total \$288,626.60
**EXPENDITURES****General Government:**

Town Officers' Salaries	\$2,430.94
Town Officers' Expenses	1,496.92
Election & Registration Expenses	256.00
Town Hall & Buildings Maintenance	2,151.61
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	\$ 6,335.47

**Protection of Persons and Property:**

Police Department	\$1,094.11
Fire Department	1,766.36
Blister Rust & Care of Trees	265.00
Insurance	3,172.50
Planning & Zoning	249.65
Bounties	5.00
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	6,552.62

**Health:**

Vital Statistics	\$ 7.25
Town Dump	938.00
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	945.25

**Highway and Bridges:**

Town Road Aid	\$ 1,380.24
Town Maintenance — Summer	11,490.59
Town Maintenance — Winter	16,567.84
Street Lighting	789.62
General Expense of Highway Department	2,931.63
Class V Highway Maintenance	5,144.73
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	38,304.65

<b>Library</b>		3,304.13
<b>Public Welfare:</b>		
Old Age Assistance		714.50
<b>Public Service Enterprises:</b>		
Cemeteries		300.00
<b>Unclassified:</b>		
Advertising & Regional Associations	\$322.00	
Employees' Retirement & Social Security	528.04	
Damage & Legal Expenses	250.45	
Taxes Bought by Town	696.98	
<b>Abatement:</b>		
Property Taxes	\$182.00	
Head Tax	5.00	
Motor Vehicle Fees	5.90	
	<hr/>	192.90
<b>Refunds:</b>		
Tax Collector a/c 1968		
Excess Remittance	30.07	
	<hr/>	2,020.44
<b>Interest on Debt:</b>		
On Long Term Notes	\$ 802.66	
On Tax Anticipation Notes	1,133.35	
	<hr/>	1,936.01
<b>Outlay for New Construction, Equipment and Improvements:</b>		
Radio Monitor Sets (Article No. 9)		337.90
<b>Indebtedness:</b>		
Long Term Notes Paid	\$ 6,500.00	
Tax Anticipation Notes Paid	40,000.00	
Payments to Capital Reserve Funds	1,600.00	
Payments to Trustees of Trust Funds (a/c New Trust Funds)	225.00	
	<hr/>	48,325.00
<b>Payment to Other Governmental Divisions:</b>		
<b>State of New Hampshire:</b>		
State Head Taxes	\$ 1,327.30	
2% Bond and Debt Retirement Taxes	1.88	
County Tax	15,412.78	
School District Tax	91,254.80	
	<hr/>	107,996.76
Total Expenditures for All Purposes		\$217,072.73
Balance — December 31, 1970		71,553.87
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Grand Total		\$288,626.60

**EXHIBIT B-2**  
**TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN**

**Summary of Treasurer's Account and Proof of Balance**  
**Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1970**

Balance — January 1, 1970	\$ 28,235.97	
Receipts During Year	260,390.63	
	<hr/>	\$288,626.60
Expenditures During Year		217,072.73
Balance — December 31, 1970		<hr/> \$71,553.87

**Proof of Balance**

Balance in the Souhegan National		
Bank — Per Statement — Dec. 31, 1970		\$109,981.91
Add: Deposits of:		
December 31, 1970	\$6,919.96	
January 4, 1971	400.38	
	<hr/>	7,320.34
		<hr/> \$117,302.25
Less: Outstanding Checks		45,748.38
Reconciled Balance — December 31, 1970		<hr/> \$71,553.87

## FINANCIAL REPORT OF TREASURER

Balance in Treasury, January 1, 1970 \$ 28,235 97

Catherine H. Abbott, Tax Collector:

1965 Tax Sales Redeemed	45 83
1969 Reg. Polls	\$ 68 00
1969 Property Tax	26,881 38
1969 Interest	439 52
1969 Head Tax and Penalties	204 00
1969 Tax Sales Redeemed	500 13
1969 Interest and Costs after sale	13 65
	----- \$ 28,106 68

1970 Reg. Polls	\$ 456 00
1970 Property Tax	142,981 54
1970 Head Tax and Penalties	1,353 00
1970 Interest	13 71
1970 Yield Tax	1 92
	----- \$144,806 17

Herman C. Miller, Town Clerk:

Auto Permits	\$ 8,084 53
Dog Licenses	382 20
Filing Fees	7 00
	----- \$ 8,473 73

Loans:

Souhegan National Bank (short term)	40,000 00
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Rentals:

Town Hall	178 00
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State of New Hampshire:

Fire Truck Radio	\$ 318 50
White Pine Blister Rust Refund	40
Forest Fire Bill	41 28
Head Tax Refund	4 30
Class V Highways	5,204 99
Savings Bank Tax	789 73
Interest and Dividend Tax	27,125 53
Rooms and Meals Tax	2,402 92
Business and Profits Tax	1,913 59
	----- \$ 37,801 24

Unclassified:		
John R. Schott, repairs to bridge	\$	15 00
Crotched Mt. Dev. Corp.		5 00
Con-Val School Dist.,		
Refund 1968-69 Assessment		111 13
G. H. Bixby Mem. Library,		
Social Security Withholding		113 60
Lucia D. Wright, Cemetery Lot		25 00
Ruth Cullens Martin, Perpetual Care		
Cullens Lot		200 00
Stephen Colburn, Illegal Dumping		15 00
Franeestown Fire Department,		
Radio Express Charges		37 90
Herman C. Miller, Tarring driveway		21 05
Elizabeth Behrsing, Tarring driveway		22 75
Donald Hoyt, Tarring driveway		32 95
George M. Foster, Tarring driveway		35 50
James Wiedman, Tarring driveway		27 00
Stanley Rainey, Tarring driveway		20 20
Thomas Foster, Tarring driveway		24 45
Mabel Wiederhold, Tarring driveway		24 45
Roger Starkey, Timber Tax Security		100 00
George Kunhardt, Registering Maps		4 00
H. J. Todd, Sale of benches in disrepair		75 00
John G. Coakley, Sale of old desk		5 00
Business Permits		10 00
Pistol Permits		12 00
Junkyard Permits		2 00
Building Permits		36 00
Dynamite Permits		4 00
	----- \$	978 98
Total Receipts		\$288,626 60
Total Payments		217,072 73
Balance in Treasury, Dec. 31, 1970		\$ 71,553 87

Respectfully submitted,

Herman C. Miller, Treasurer



## DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

### Town Officers Expenses:

Brown and Saltmarsh	\$ 33 64
N. H. Assessors Association	10 00
Town Clerks Assoc. Dues	6 00
Wheeler & Clark, dog licenses	12 05
Herman Miller, supplies	58 90
State Treasurer, audit books	415 48
Davis & Clark, bonds	228 00
Cabinet Press	573 80
Registry of Deeds	24 78
Evans Printing Co.	8 50
Shirley Jones, typing	20 00
Wallace Jones, computations	25 00
Brauham Publishing Co.	9 40
Francestown Postmaster	52 50
Henry Humphrey, rent town beach	1 00
Donald Hoyt, labor & Tel.	7 90
Walter C. Dodge, postage	4 02
Franklin Mace, Tel.	1 95

Total	<hr style="border: none; border-top: 1px solid black;"/> \$1,492 92
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### Town Hall and Other Buildings:

Daniels Garage	\$ 614 70
Public Service Co.	188 24
Miller Plumbing Co.	878 87
Gerald Miller	119 00
Donald Hoyt	45 90
Joslin Hardware	38 30
I. H. Vadney	31 01
Paul Knight	15 25
Joan Knight	18 50
Francestown Water Co.	45 00
Ralph W. Johnson	41 50
John G. Coakley	78 34
Howard Kiblin	25 00
Robert M. Foote	12 00

	<hr style="border: none; border-top: 1px solid black;"/> \$2,151 61
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General Expenses of Highway:

Jordan Milton Co.	\$2,018 52
Ray Road Equipment	146 66
Daniels Garage	136 87
Sanel Auto Parts	133 00
Eastern Culvert Co.	446 20
I. H. Vadney	40 38
Gleason, Inc.	10 00
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	\$2,931 63

Highways — Summer:

	Labor	Equipment
Robert M. Foote	\$1,380 00	\$2,735 40
Wilfred Foote	36 00	626 05
Clayton Foote	1,468 50	
Charles Philbrick	36 75	
David Paige	42 00	
George Morgan	1,079 25	
Scott Dutton	210 00	
Bryce Dutton	210 00	
George Vadney	56 00	
Floyd Cornwell	149 10	
Elsie Cornwell	437 65	
Bruce Gagnon		51 80
Belmore & Gagnon		57 00
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	\$5,105 25	\$3,470 25

Supplies:

Beede Wast Oil Co.	\$ 376 00
Charles Eggert	14 30
Nina Abbott	56 70
Milford Asphalt	437 83
R. G. Hazelton	151 20
Merrimack Farmers Exch.	49 89
Lake Asphalt	1,829 17
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	\$2,915 09

Summer Highways Total \$11,490 59

# Highways — Winter:

	Labor	Equipment
Robert Foote	\$2,367 50	\$4,036 70
Floyd Cornwell		958 60
Wilfred Foote		1,688 00
Charles Philbrick	462 00	
David Paige	372 51	
Clayton Foote, Jr.	1,368 00	
Scott Dutton	239 00	
Bryce Dutton	646 50	
Thomas Banks	81 38	
Richard Hoyt	214 00	
Vernon Meattay	194 00	
George Morgan	14 00	
Robert Murray	907 50	
Clarence Paige	7 50	
Kris Stewart	21 88	
Royal Cleaves		227 00
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	\$6,895 77	\$6,910 30

## Supplies:

Nina Abbott	\$ 45 60
International Salt	1,820 86
Sanel Auto Parts	13 78
Milford Asphalt	54 01
Auto Parts Sales	3 25
N. H. Explosives	84 10
Ray Road Equipment	106 20
Jordan Milton Co.	4 97
Merrimack Metals	46 20
Miller Plumbing	7 96
Anchor Steel Co.	316 89
Robert Bragdon	257 95
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	\$2,761 77

Winter Highways Total

\$16,567 84

		Labor	Equipment
Duncan Fund:			
Robert M. Foote		\$ 564 00	\$1,004 00
George Morgan		72 50	
Clayton Foote		470 00	
Bryce Dutton		312 00	
David Paige		18 00	
William Bailey		22 50	
Dean Russell		22 50	
Wilfred Foote			97 30
Belmont & Gagnon			336 60
Elsie Cornwell			191 70
		<hr/>	<hr/>
		\$1,481 50	\$1,629 60
Supplies:			
I. H. Vadney	\$ 3 46		
Lake Asphalt	1,879 74		
Milford Asphalt	70 33		
Nina Abbott	80 10		
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	\$2,033 63		
Duncan Fund Total			\$ 5,144 73

**EXHIBIT C-1**  
**TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN**  
**Summary of Warrants**  
**Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1970**

— DR. —

	Levies of:	
	1970	1969
<b>Uncollected Taxes — January 1, 1970:</b>		
Property Taxes	\$	\$ 26,815.38
Poll Taxes		70.00
<b>Taxes Committed to Collector:</b>		
Property Taxes	155,319.00	
Poll Taxes	522.00	
Yield Taxes	1.92	
<b>Added Taxes:</b>		
Property Taxes	11.27	66.00
Poll Taxes	32.00	4.00
<b>Interest Collected</b>	13.71	439.52
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	\$155,899.90	\$27,394.90

— CR. —

<b>Remittances to Treasurer:</b>		
Property Taxes	\$142,981.54	\$26,881.38
Poll Taxes	456.00	68.00
Yield Taxes	1.92	
Interest	13.71	439.52
<b>Abatements Allowed:</b>		
Property Taxes	649.21	
Poll Taxes	32.00	8.00
<b>Uncollected Taxes — December 31, 1970:</b>		
Property Taxes	11,688.40	
Poll Taxes	62.00	
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	\$155,884.78	\$27,396.90
<b>Add: Cash on Hand — Dec. 31, 1970:</b>		
a/c Property Taxes	11.12	
a/c Poll Taxes	4.00	
<b>Less: Excess Remittance:</b>		2.00
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	\$155,899.90	\$27,394.90

**Exhibit C-2**  
**TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN**  
**Summary of Tax Sale Accounts**  
**Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1970**

— DR. —

		Levies of:	
	1969	1968	1965
Unredeemed Taxes — Jan. 1, 1970	\$	\$118.26	\$ 45.83
Tax Sale of May 2, 1970	696.98		
Interest & Costs After Sale	14.75		
	<u>\$711.73</u>	<u>\$118.26</u>	<u>\$ 45.83</u>

— CR. —

<b>Remittances to Treasurer:</b>			
Redemptions	\$499.03	\$	\$ 45.83
Interest and Costs	14.75		
Unredeemed Taxes — Dec. 31, 1970	197.95	118.26	
	<u>\$711.73</u>	<u>\$118.26</u>	<u>\$ 45.83</u>

**Exhibit C-3**  
**TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN**  
**Summary of State Head Tax Warrants**  
**Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1970**

— DR. —

	Levies of:	
	1970	1969
Uncollected Head Taxes —		
January 1, 1970	\$	\$ 200.00
<b>Head Taxes Committed to Collector:</b>		
Original Warrant	1,510.00	
Added Taxes	90.00	10.00
Penalties Collected	3.00	19.00
	<u>\$1,603.00</u>	<u>\$ 229.00</u>

— CR. —

<b>Remittances to Treasurer:</b>		
State Head Taxes	\$1,350.00	\$ 185.00
Penalties	3.00	19.00
Abatements Allowed	95.00	25.00
Uncollected Head Taxes —		
December 31, 1970	165.00	
	<u>\$1,613.00</u>	<u>\$ 229.00</u>
Less: Excess Remittances	10.00	
	<u>\$1,603.00</u>	<u>\$ 229.00</u>

**Unpaid Property Taxes**  
(As of December 31)

Ingeborg Anderson	Robert Beausoleil
Martha C. Bixby	Edward Colburn
Thomas E. Bixby III	Ernestine Dagneault
F. H. Colburn Co.	Leonard Foy
Archibald Cullens	Frank Gilman
William and Miriam Cowles	William and Natalie Gray
Robert and Marion Foote	Earl Hill
Francestown Water and Elec.	Norman Jacobs
Virginia Fossell	Duane McDuffee
Harold and Helen Hammond	Thomas McCarthy
Ethel Kasperson	William Mullin
William and Lois MacAdam	Onset and Corp.
Robert and Caroline Murray	Harvey and Vera Paige
C. Ashley and Frances Prest	John and Ethel Prince
Carl Peterson	Frances Petit
Oscar and Roseann Sweet	Lloyd and Marg. Reynolds
Roseann Sweet	Dorothy Saltmarsh
Lionel Barrows	Donald & Kathleen Severance
Duane and Joan Brown	Pamela Thoma
Joel and Doris Buckley	Rudolph Zeigler

**Unpaid Head and Poll Taxes**  
(As of December 31)

Roger Cilley	Carl Peterson
Robert Foote	Pauline Peterson
Marion Foote	Bradley Peterson
Leslie Fossell	Charles Philbrick
Peter Fossell	Rachel Smith
William Grube	Robert Smith
Catherine Grube	Roseann Sweet
Richard Lee	Virginia Twombly
Paula Lee	James Wolfe
William MacAdam	Pamela Wolfe
Lois MacAdam	Jay Cooke III
Ethel MacAdam	Jack Curran
Carolyn Murray	Nancy Curran
Robert Murray	Carol Matteson
Bertrude McClary Jr.	George Morgan
Mrs. McClary	

## REPORT OF TOWN CLERK

Auto Permits, 582 issued		\$8,084 53
Dog Licenses:		
114 Male and Spayed	\$236 00	
17 Female	88 00	
3 Kennel	85 00	
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	\$409 00	
Paid Out: Comm. on 134 licenses	26 80	
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	\$	382 20
Filing Fees		7 00
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Total Receipts		\$8,473 73

Respectfully submitted,

Herman C. Miller, Town Clerk

**FIRE INSURANCE SCHEDULE 1971**  
**Town of Francestown, New Hampshire**

**BUILDINGS AND CONTENTS**

\$25,000. on Library Building  
4,000. on Contents of Library  
3,500. on Town Garage Building  
35,000. on Town Hall Building  
500. on Contents of Selectmen's Office  
12,000. on Fire Station Building

**OTHER PROPERTY AND VEHICLES**

\$ 3,500. on Motor Grader  
1,000. on Stage Coach  
650. on Resuscitator  
800 on Two-way Radio and Antenna  
2,900. on 1954 International Fire Truck and Equip.  
1,500. on 1948 Ford Fire Truck and Equipment  
17,500. on 1969 International Fire Truck  
Workmen's Compensation on all Town Employees.  
Liability and Property Damage on all Town Buildings,  
Vehicles and Operations.  
Blanket Accident Policy on Fire Department Members.  
Burglary and Robbery Policy covering Office of Town  
Treasurer.



## REPORT OF LIBRARIAN – 1970

Circulation of books and magazines	
Fiction	2,200
Non Fiction	1,671
Juvenile	3,958
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Total Books	7,829
Magazines	661
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	8,490
Borrowed from Bookmobile (4 visits)	4,004
Borrowed from State	222
Library Hours	
Wednesday	1:00 - 7
Friday	4:00 - 7
Saturday	2:00 - 5

The following donors gave books and magazines: Allan Block, Mr. and Mrs. Bolle, Dr. and Mrs. Born, Thomas Chamberlain, Royal Cleaves, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Walter Dodge, Dorothy Freese, Alexander Grereschenkron, Kenneth Haemer, Mr. and Mrs. Kibrick, Mr. and Mrs. George Kunhardt, Mrs. William Lord, Mr. and Mrs. Muzzey, Lawson Prince, Adelia Starrett, Betty Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. Warner, Betsy and Martha Wiederhold, Mrs. James Wiedman, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wiggin.

The Library subscribes to the following magazines: American Girl, Antiques, Boys Life, Curious Naturalist, Down East, Good Housekeeping, Holiday Horn Book, Horticulture, House and Garden, Ladies Home Journal, Life, McCall's, New Hampshire Echoes, New Hampshire Profiles, Popular Mechanics, Popular Science, Readers Digest, School Arts, Seventeen, Sports Illustrated, Time, Vermont Life, Yankee and Peterborough Transcript.

Miss Hall's beautiful painting which she gave to the Library is admired and enjoyed by all.

My warmest thanks to the Girl Scouts and Brownies for the Nativity scene they made and gave to the library.

I'm tremendously indebted to Betsy Wiederhold and

Esther Whittemore for their help in Library. My paid and very capable assistants were Pam Irwin and Martha Wiederhold. My compliments to Trustees for the services they have bestowed on our Library.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ingeborg Anderson, Librarian

### **REPORT OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES GEORGE HOLMES BIXBY MEMORIAL LIBRARY**

At the end of 1969, we were working on plans for classes and story hours for children. So, as this year began, we started off with a Winter series of classes in Crewel Embroidery taught by Mrs. Mary Shaw in the new downstairs meeting room. While in the Reading Alcove, Mrs. Connie Bicknell held greatly appreciated weekly story hours for the pre-school children, later adding movies to this program. The children love this alcove so much; on any Library day, there are always several in there looking at their books, and perhaps an older child helping a younger one to read.

As the weather grew warmer, lovely shrubs were planted on newly seeded lawns in memory of Dr. William B. Rice who was a great friend of the Library. These were given by Dr. and Mrs. Louis Wiederhold and their family, and greatly enhance the building.

In the Summer, August 14th, all good friends of the Library gathered at Crotched Mountain Ski Lodge for the Annual Library Bridge — Tea. Mrs. Doris Basset and Mrs. Lois MacAdam with their committees outdid themselves again and, with Mrs. Dodge running the Silent Auction, gave to the Library the handsome sum of \$430.15. Mrs. Henry Hill and Mrs. William Lord poured tea at the lovely table set by Mrs. Charles Bailey. Many people were so generous and the young people gave their time selling tickets in advance which was most helpful. Once again, we thank you all.

A group met downstairs to make the items for their Arts and Crafts booth at the Labor Day festival, and here, too, was the meeting place for the Parade judges and other officials. The Village Improvement Society, as a result of this successful day and the special raffle, gave the Library \$147.64 for which the Library is most appreciative.

In the Fall, a movie program was again started with weekly movies on Wednesdays for the pre-schoolers and for the older children as it fitted into their schedules.

Fall Crewel classes were held with new members in addition to the enthusiasts of the Winter class.

Mrs. Betty Behrsing instructed a group in how to re-seat a chair. Some learned how to cane, while others learned about splinting and rushing.

Mrs. Anderson had a large group meet with her several times to create Christmas decorations using natural materials to make cone wreaths and decorative swags and panels.

Among the visitors last Fall were Mr. and Mrs. George E. B. Hill of Kentfield, California. They again registered their enthusiasm for the Library and the Historical Rooms.

Miss Alice Hall very generously gave to the Library a beautiful still life of flowers painted by George L. Noyes. Mr. Noyes was an American artist, internationally known and of the Impressionist School of Art. He spent the last years of his life here with his wife, Mabel who was Miss Hall's sister. To honor Miss Hall, a reception was held in the Library on November 25th. Many friends came to see the painting and to express their delight and appreciation to her. Miss Hall and Miss McKinlay have always been good friends to the Library so it was a special and happy occasion.

The Girl Scouts with their leader, Mrs. Barbara Thulander and the Brownies with Mrs. Dottie Hardwick have been meeting at the Library. They made a beautiful creche which they presented to the Librarian just before Christmas and it is displayed in the reading room where it has been very much appreciated.

The Librarian has attended meetings relative to Library service in Keene and Peterborough; and with a trustee has been to Book Selection meetings in Keene.

As an affiliated library of the Statewide Library Development Program, we received \$100.00 for books for our reference collection. We also honor the Statewide Library Card which went into effect July 1. Cards are issued on request to patrons of good standing.

Some of the improvements to the building have been the installation of fireplace dampers in the remaining fire places (one to go), the painting of ceilings, and particularly the re-doing of the stack room upstairs. This room is now attractive and inviting. There are also new stairs on the back of the building, the old ones were dangerous and had to be replaced. We also have an outside faucet — to water shrubs and lawns. One unlooked for item was the overflow of the toilet which necessitated digging up of the pipe line.

Due to a new law, we learned from the State Library that we were legally obliged to pay the Librarian at least the minimum state wage as of February 1, 1969. The salary and social security owed for those eleven months of 1969 amounted to \$192.13. Additional funds were granted us by the Town to cover this expenditure.

We have received many generous gifts and a great deal of help, and, while it is almost impossible to name all of you and to thank each of you individually here, we should like to mention and to thank especially Mrs. Betsy Wiederhold and Miss Esther Whittemore who come regularly to help charge out books, file, type, mend, and other necessary jobs.

Our heartfelt thanks to you all and sincerest appreciation to our warm and generous Librarian, Mrs. Inge Anderson.

Library hours: Wednesday	1 - 7
Friday	4 - 7
Saturday	2 - 5

Trustees Meetings: First Wednesday of each month at 5:00. Open to all.

Donald Born  
Constance Dodge  
Priscilla Kunhardt

# REPORT OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES

## GEORGE HOLMES BIXBY MEMORIAL LIBRARY

### Budget — Town Account

	1970 Budget	1970 Expend.	1971 Budget
Salaries	\$1,000 00	\$1,000 00	\$1,000 00
Social security - Employer	48 00	48 00	52 00
Clerical Assistance	90 00	52 50	90 00
Supplies and Petty Cash	50 00	50 00	50 00
Books	700 00	700 00	700 00
Magazines	75 00	75 00	75 00
Records	5 00	00	5 00
New equipment and repairs	250 00	343 46	250 00
Fuel	375 00	413 09	415 00
Water and lights	150 00	237 49	240 00
Grounds and janitor	124 00	11 51	135 00
Cleaning	60 00	4 69	60 00
Transportation - Librarian	100 00	100 00	100 00
Telephone	75 00	76 26	120 00
Bank charges	10 00	00	10 00
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	\$3,112 00	\$3,112 00	\$3,292 00

Salary and Social Security  
for 1969 New Hampshire

RSA Chapter 279      \$ 192 13      \$ 192 13

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\$3,304 13      \$3,304 13

#### Receipts:

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1970      00

Town Appropriation      3,112 00

Sal. and Soc. Sec. 1969      192 13

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\$3,304 13

#### Expenditures:

Budget      3,112 00

Sal. and Soc. Sec. 1969      192 13

Balance on hand Dec. 31      00

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\$3,304 13



# GEORGE HOLMES BIXBY MEMORIAL LIBRARY

## Accounts for Special Purposes

### Receipts:

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1970	\$ 739 51	
Manning and Clark Fund Trust Income	51 44	
Alison Bixby Hill Fund Trust Income	76 87	
Fine Money	31 34	
Benefit Bridge - Tea	430 15	
VIS Labor Day gift	147 64	
Gifts	230 00	
Refund: State Library	26 99	
State Library: Reference Books	100 00	
	-----	\$1,833 94

### Expenditures:

Books	\$ 605 97	
Magazines	39 47	
Benefit Bridge-Tea	15 00	
Building and Equipment	320 59*	
Balance on hand December 31, 1970	852 91	
	-----	\$1,833 94

\*Includes \$119.49 for Janitor and grounds expense

### Savings Bank Accounts:

Peterborough Savings Bank No. 35375		
Susan Wason Memorial Fund	\$ 70 92	
Peterborough Savings Bank No. 37119		
Agnes Gardner — May balance	127 33	
Storm Door	\$78 98	
Alcove Lights	48 35	
	-----	\$ 127 33
This account closed	\$ 00	
Peterborough Savings Bank No. 39794		
Anne Schott Memorial	837 71	

**EXHIBIT E-1  
TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN**

**George Holmes Bixby Memorial Library  
General Fund**

**Statement of Account and Proof of Balance  
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1970**

**Receipts During Year:**

Town Appropriation	\$3,112.00	
Supplemental Appropriation		
a/c Salaries	192.13	
	<hr/>	\$3,304.13

**Expenditures During Year:**

Books and Magazines	\$ 775.00	
Supplies	50.00	
Librarian's Salary	1,126.53	
Fuel	413.09	
Janitor	11.51	
Cleaning	4.69	
Repairs	343.46	
Water and Lights	237.49	
Transportation	100.00	
Social Security Taxes	113.60	
Clerical Assistance	52.50	
Telephone	76.26	
	<hr/>	\$3,304.13

Balance — December 31, 1970	<hr/>	0.00
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**Proof of Balance**

Balance in the First National Bank of Peterborough, N. H. — Per Statement Dec. 31, 1970	\$137.09	
Less: Outstanding Checks	137.09	
Reconciled Balance — Dec. 31, 1970	<hr/>	0.00



# **EXHIBIT E-2** **TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN**

## **George Holmes Bixby Memorial Library** **Special Fund**

### **Statement of Account and Proof of Balance** **Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1970**

Balance — January 1, 1970	\$1,769.43
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**Receipts During Year:**

Income from Trust Funds	\$126.44	
Interest on Savings	50.75	
Fine Money	31.34	
Gifts	230.00	
Library Benefits	577.79	
Reimbursements — State Library	126.99	
	1,143.31	
		\$2,912.74

**Expenditures During Year:**

Books and Magazines	\$645.44	
Insurance	15.00	
Building and Equipment Maintenance	447.92	
	1,108.36	
Balance — December 31, 1970		\$1,804.38

### **Proof of Balance**

Balance in the First National Bank		
of Peterborough, N. H. — Per		
Statement — Dec. 31, 1970	\$1,270.14	
Less: Outstanding Checks	417.23	
	\$ 852.91	

**Add: Deposits in Peterborough Savings Bank —**

Passbook No. 39794	\$880.55	
Passbook No. 35375	70.92	
	951.47	
Reconciled Balance — Dec. 31, 1970		\$1,804.38

## REPORT OF THE FRANCESTOWN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

In the time that has passed since our last report, the Francestown VFD has worked steadily on improving the appearance and the available facilities in the firehouse.

The addition of a kitchen equipped with a stove, a sink, and a wall oven has greatly improved the Department's ability to cope with possible emergencies as well as serving the Town's social and conference room needs. The Fire Company has spent well over \$1000.00 of its own money to accomplish this project. Storm windows have also been added recently. The first floor storage and toilet facility have been given a more finished appearance. The Department has also purchased additional tableware and serving utensils at their expense to better serve their fund-raising affairs. New radio communication equipment was also purchased in 1970 at a cost of \$700.00. Additional money was voted to the new Truck Reserve Fund during this past year.

The Department gratefully acknowledges the generous support of the townspeople and hopes that this report will give you a clearer insight into the financial activity of the Francestown VFD.

Respectfully,

NORMAN STEWART, Chief  
CLIFTON FOOTE, Deputy Chief  
LAWRENCE KULLGREN, Deputy Chief  
ARTHUR LORD, Secretary  
ALLAN THULANDER, Treasurer

### FRANCESTOWN FIRE DEPARTMENT FINANCIAL REPORT 1970

Balance on hand January 1, 1970	\$ 382 67
Town Appropriation	1,683 80
Income:	
Phone Booth Commissions	16 22
N. H. Gasoline Tax Refund	5 95
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	\$2,088 64

Expenditures:	
Electric Power	\$232 18
Fuel Oil	346 60
Materials and Supplies	427 00
Truck Repairs	95 75
Misc. Expenses	133 74
Mutual Aid Charges	211 32
Heater Repairs	34 10
Gasoline and Oil	88 78
Radio Repairs	319 60
Water Holes — Labor	36 00
Telephone	104 21
	----- \$2,029 28

Reserves:	
Reserve for New Fire Hose	59 36
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	\$2,088 64

#### FRANCESTOWN FIRE DEPARTMENT BUDGET

	Budget 1970	Expend. 1970	1971 Budget
Electric Power	\$ 215 00	\$ 195 67	\$ 225 00
Fuel Oil	300 00	265 78	325 00
Materials and Supplies	200 00	272 29	200 00
Truck Repairs	125 00	95 75	125 00
Gasoline and Oil	75 00	66 65	75 00
Heater Repairs	45 00	34 10	45 00
Radio Repairs	75 00	319 60	150 00
Water Holes — Labor	40 00	36 00	40 00
Telephone	103 00	104 21	120 00
Mutual Aid Charges	225 00	211 32	225 00
New Hose	275 00	217 09	325 00
Postage	5 00		5 00
Bank Charges			15 00
Misc. Expenses		77 65	
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	\$1,683 00	\$1,896 11	\$1,875 00

## REPORT OF THE FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND DISTRICT CHIEF

In 1970 forest fire season was a quiet one in this area, quiet in part because of your continued cooperation and favorable weather conditions.

Fires that did occur were, for the most part, caused by debris burning, children and smokers.

The elimination of these three causes of forest fires would drastically change this picture-to bring about this change we make the following suggestions:

1. When the ground is not covered with snow a permit to burn must be obtained from the Forest Fire Warden. This permit covers waste burning, even if in an incinerator, grass burning, as well as garden trash and brush such burning is restricted by regulation prior to 9:00 a. m. and after 5:00 p. m. with the following exceptions:

Commercial or Industrial burning is permissible at any time under normal conditions but only with the approval of the District Chief and a written permit from the Forest Fire Warden.

2. Fires caused by children can be prevented only with the complete cooperation of parents in the supervision of their children, keep matches out of reach of children, this action will help to prevent fires and may save a life, the life of your child. Try to explain this to your child, won't you?

3. Forest fires caused by smokers can be reduced in number by the exercise of more care in the discarding of matches and smoking material whether from a vehicle or by a hiker. In all cases, make sure that the butt or match you discard is out, dead out. Smokey says, "Thanks for your help", and invites you to join with him in setting a good example for others in the prevention of fires and the protection of our environment.

### Number of fires reported and acres burned:

State	—	484 fires	—	244 acres
District	—	84 fires	—	43 acres
Town	—	0 fires	—	0 acres

WINTHROP H. HANNAFORD, District Fire Chief

RICHARD F. LEAVITT, Forest Fire Warden

## REPORT OF POLICE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I herewith submit my Annual report for the year ending December 31, 1970.

Radar Main Street	
Speeding, court cases	27
Speeding, warnings	20
Other motor vehicle violations	11
Accidents reported and covered	16
Complaints answered	42
Breaking and Entering	4

Two cases parties involved were  
apprehended and convicted in  
Superior Court.

I would like to thank the State Police for the use of Radar which they supply. A third officer John Coakley has been added to the force. He will be available for calls during the day. Telephone Number 547-2702.

Respectfully Submitted,

NORMAN J. STEWART  
Chief of Police

# **EXHIBIT H** **TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN**

## **Cemetery Association**

### **Statement of Account and Proof of Balance** **Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1970**

Balance — January 1, 1970		\$ 12.28	
<b>Receipts During Year:</b>			
Town Appropriation	\$ 300.00		
Trustees of Trust Funds —			
(Income from Trust Funds)	1,294.91		
	<u>          </u>	1,594.91	
		<u>          </u>	
		\$1,607.19	
<b>Expenditures During Year:</b>			
Electricity	\$ 22.20		
Care of Grounds	146.58		
Supplies and Services	1,182.44		
	<u>          </u>	1,351.22	
Balance — December 31, 1970		<u>          </u>	\$ 255.97

#### **Proof of Balance**

Balance in the Souhegan National Bank —			
Per Statement November 23, 1970		\$257.82	
Less: Outstanding Checks		1.85	
Reconciled Balance — Dec. 31, 1970		<u>          </u>	\$ 255.97



# Report of the Trust Funds of the Town of Francestown, N. H., on December 31, 1970

Date of Creation	Name and Purpose of Trust Fund	How Invested	Balance Beginning Year	New Funds Created	Withdrawn	PRINCIPAL				INCOME			
						Balance End Year	Balance Beginning Year	Amount During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End Year			
1954	Co-Mingled Fund "A" Cemetery Care	Savings Bank	\$5,825 00			\$ 5,825 00	\$2,266.09	\$ 408 90	\$ 525 00	\$2,149 99			
1852	Co-Mingled Fund "B" Cemetery Care	Savings Bank	3,609 28			3,609 28	1,553.45	276 60	365 00	1,465 05			
1954	Levi Woodbury Fund, Educational	Savings Bank	1,128 00			1,128 00	109.30	68 70		178 00			
1954	George F. Pettee Cemetery Care	Savings Bank	200 00			200 00	78.67	14 17	15 00	77 84			
1954	Vose and Blake Cemetery Care	Savings Bank	450 00			450 00	123.33	29 37	25 00	127 70			
1956	Minnie P. Newton Cemetery Care	Savings Bank	100 00			100 00	21.25	6 19	5 00	22 44			
1956	N. and N. Pearson Cemetery Care	Savings Bank	200 00			200 00	61.52	13 27	15 00	59 79			
1957	Abbott and Bryant Cemetery Care	Savings Bank	300 00			300 00	110.41	20 82	25 00	106 23			
1957	Morrill-Gorman-Desrochers Cemetery	Savings Bank	500 00			500 00	140.78	32 91	25 00	148 69			
1957	H. J. and A. Miller Cemetery Care	Savings Bank	100 00			100 00	28.91	6 43	10 00	24 74			
1962	James T. Woodbury Cemetery Care	Savings Bank	150 00			150 00	38.37	9 58	10 00	37 95			
1962	Forrest N. Nichols Cemetery Care	Savings Bank	100 00			100 00	20.85	6 05	10 00	16 90			
1962	N. and T. Stewart Cemetery Care	Savings Bank	100 00	7 18		100 00	20.85	6 05	10 00	16 90			
1963	Bertil Anderson Cemetery Care	Savings Bank	137.17			144 35							
1963	Walter Donnell Cemetery Care	Savings Bank	100 00			100 00							
1964	Bertha D. Williams, Cemetery Care	Savings Bank	200 00			200 00	50.06	12 83	5 00	16 16			
1966	William B. Rice, Cemetery Care	Savings Bank	150 00			150 00	22.71	8 75	10 00	21 46			
1968	Abbie A. Dodge	Savings Bank	100 00			100 00	14.38	5 85	5 00	15 23			
1969	Everett D. Phillips, Cemetery Care	Savings Bank	8,890 18			8,890 18	74.57	451 73	224 91	301 39			
1970	Archibald Cullens, Cemetery Care	Savings Bank	100 00	200 00		200 00		4 98		4 98			
			\$22,459.63	\$207 18		\$22,646 81	\$4,750.16	\$1,389 08	\$1,294 91	\$4,844 33			

\*Trust Fund established to have interest added to principal until instructed otherwise.



# **CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS**

1962	Town History	Savings Bank	\$ 292.10	\$ 300 00	\$ 592 10	\$ 114.85	\$ 24 40	\$ 139 25
1956	Town Buildings	Savings Bank	12.00	300 00	12 00	19.21	1 61	20 82
1955	Replacement Fire Trucks	Savings Bank	300.00	300 00	600 00	236.80	25 92	262 72
1960	Town Hall	Savings Bank	4,138.22	1,000 00	4,138 22	391.29	237 68	628 97
1960	Road Equipment	Savings Bank	3,271.51	1,000 00	4,271 51	1,771.44	264 64	2,036 08
1958	New Cemetery Sales	Savings Bank	675.00	25 00	700 00	148.36	39 78	188 14
1961	Civil Defense	Savings Bank	100.00		100 00	38.99	7 26	46 25
1965	Replacement Fire Dept. Radios	Savings Bank	575.00		575 00	80.94	31 69	112 63
			\$9,363.83	1,625 00	10,988 83	\$2,801.88	632 98	3,434 86

(••)	George H. Bixby Library Fund	Savings Bank	1,025 00		1,025 00		60 00	51 44	8 56
(••)	George H. Bixby Library Fund	Coop Bank	1,500 00		1,500 00		60 00	51 44	8 56
			\$2,525.00		\$2,525.00		\$692 98	51 44	\$3,443 42
			\$11,888 83	\$1,625 00	\$13,513 83	\$2,801 88			

•• Trustees of Trust Funds custodians of principal only.

This is to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

HAROLD A. VARNUM  
CLIFTON F. FOOTE  
F. RUSSELL ABBOTT  
Trustees

**EXHIBIT I**  
**TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN**  
**Statement of Long Term Indebtedness, Showing Annual**  
**Maturities of Principal and Interest**  
**As of December 31, 1970**

	Town Hall Improvement Notes 3%	Caskie Bridge Notes 3%	Mill Village Bridge Notes 3%	Fire Truck Notes 4 1/4 %			
Amount of Issue	\$14,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$13,625.00	\$8,500.00			
Date of Issue	February 1, 1962	June 1, 1962 and June 17, 1963	May 20, 1966	August 24, 1968			
Principal Payable Dates	December 31	June 1	May 20	August 24			
Interest Payable Dates	June 30, Dec. 31	June 1, Dec. 1	May 20, Nov. 20	Feb. 24, Aug. 24			
Payable at	Souhegan National Bank, Milford, N. H.	Souhegan National Bank, Milford, N. H.	Souhegan National Bank, Milford, N. H.	Souhegan National Bank, Milford, N. H.			
Maturities - Fiscal Year Ending:	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Total
December 31, 1971	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 152.09	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 106.42	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 172.36	\$ 6,000.00
December 31, 1972	1,000.00	121.66	1,000.00	76.25	2,000.00	85.95	6,000.00
December 31, 1973	1,000.00	91.25	1,000.00	45.58	1,625.00	24.37	3,625.00
December 31, 1974	1,000.00	60.84	1,000.00	15.25			2,000.00
December 31, 1975	1,000.00	30.41					1,000.00
	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 456.25	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 243.50	\$ 5,625.00	\$ 241.87	\$ 18,625.00
					\$ 4,000.00	\$ 258.31	\$ 1,199.93

**EXHIBIT J**  
**TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN**  
**Town Officers' Surety Bonds**  
**1970**

	Number	Amount	Term Beginning
<b>Town Treasurer:</b>			
Herman C. Miller			
New Hampshire Insurance Company	85-18-90	\$15,000.00	March 10, 1970
<b>Tax Collector:</b>			
Catherine H. Abbott			
Hartford Accident and Indemnity Co.	N3436474J	20,000.00	March 10, 1970
<b>Town Clerk:</b>			
Herman C. Miller			
New Hampshire Insurance Company	85-48-33	4,000.00	March 10, 1970
<b>Trustees of Trust Funds:</b>			
F. Russell Abbott			
New Hampshire Insurance Company	88-43-11	6,000.00	March 12, 1968
Harold A. Varnum			
New Hampshire Insurance Company	86-59-90	6,000.00	March 11, 1969
Clifton F. Foote			
New Hampshire Insurance Company	92-76-28	6,000.00	March 10, 1970

## REPORT OF THE HISTORIAN

Beautification programs for the town included the repainting of the street end of the Horse Sheds and the planting of deciduous shrubs under the supervision and financial aid of the Village Improvement Society.

Also the Trustees and users of the Library are grateful for the planting of shrubs and reseeding of the lawn in front of the George Holmes Bixby Memorial Library by Dr. and Mrs. Louis Wiederhold and family in memory of Dr. William B. Rice.

In June the New England Telephone Co. installed a new large antenna and associated transmission equipment at the summit of Crotched Mountain. The Company uses a network of microwave stations similar to this one to transmit long distance phone calls.

The reconstruction of Bible Hill Road was completed during the summer months. Road No. 81 starting at the Second New Hampshire Turnpike has been further extended and surfaced beyond the Hall's residence.

Some years ago a group of townspeople worked together to provide fire equipment and to excavate some of the fire holes now in use. There are eight existing reservoirs or water holes in the village, all usable, and all marked with iron rods with colored tops. These holes have been maintained by the "Village Fire Precinct." At a meeting held in July it was voted by the persons on whose property these holes are located to cede all their assets to the Town. Further action is to be taken on this at the 1971 Town Meeting.

The Tri-Town Cooperative kindergarten which has met all the requirements of the State Dept. of Health, Education and Welfare was opened for the first time on September 14th at the Community Church of Francesstown for five and six year old children from Bennington, Greenfield, and Francesstown. It is in session five mornings a week from 9 to 11:30 where the children learn about nature, science, art, music with field trips and movies at the George Holmes Bixby Memorial Library and have the use of the elementary school playground facilities.

It was decided by the Village Improvement Society at

its October meeting that the skating rink on land owned by Messrs. MacAdam and Kiblin not be operated this year because of the difficulty of flooding. However the society felt strongly about providing skating facilities for the children and the pond once known as the "Bixby Mill Pond" is to be kept cleared with snow blowers and proper lighting installed, the cost for this work to be borne by the Society.

Crotched Mountain Ski Area was purchased by the N. H. Industrial Development Authority who in turn sold it to Land/Vest, Inc. The new owners plan to develop the mountain as a four seasons recreation community.

The Town Hearse has been restored by Alfred P. Sawyer of Jaffrey, the cost of which was underwritten by the Village Improvement Society. The Society is now undertaking the projects of restoring the Sleigh Hearse and providing suitable storage space in the Town Horse Sheds for those pieces of equipment.

The steeple which was part of the original structure now used as the Community Church of Francestown was removed in December because of its deteriorated condition.

During the year 20 building permits were issued:

5 for year round residences  
5 for summer camps  
10 for additions

The State Department of Resources and Economic Development reported the 1970 estimated population of Francestown as 589.

The voters check list as of December 31, 1970 showed 366 qualified voters.

To the best of my knowledge, the following Francestown men were serving in the United States Military Service during 1970:

AIC Kenneth N. Abbott  
FP 4 Donald Abbott  
Col. James D. Caskie  
Lt. James D. Caskie, Jr.

Discharged April 1970  
Discharged July 1970  
Discharged May 1970

Capt. Jack Curran  
1/Cpl. Dale Daignault  
SP/4 Charles Eggert, Jr.  
GM/GSAB Douglas Foster  
Sgt. Kenneth Hardwick      Discharged November 1970  
Pvt. David P. Jones  
Capt. Robert C. Lord  
SP/4 Charles J. McCarthy, Jr. Discharged October 1970  
Lt. Kimball Prince      Discharged November 1970  
Sgt. James D. Putnam  
Capt. Herbert R. Vadney  
AQF 2 Matthew Varnum

Respectfully submitted,

Constance Dodge, Town Historian



## REPORT OF THE BICENTENNIAL AND TOWN HISTORY COMMITTEE

Further work to collect material for the Town History was undertaken this year. The questionnaire circulated to 97 owners of the older houses in town has so far elicited only 27 replies. Efforts are being made to increase the percentage of responses so that an accurate appendix about these houses can be compiled and included in the new history. Mrs. Eleanor Kiblin has undertaken to produce a map of the town and places of historical interest, and members of the committee are collecting information on a wide range of subjects for inclusion in the history — from the schools, mills, farms and shops which have existed in the town, to information on the clubs and societies, the fire department and water company, and the arrival of such public facilities as electricity and the telephone.

The committee has chosen to hold the town's bicentennial celebration on Labor Day, 1972, in conjunction with the Improvement Society's festivities, rather than on June 8, the actual day of the town's incorporation 198 years ago. This will husband the town's human and financial resources, while enabling us to have a three-day, fun-packed week-end in which the entire town can fully participate. Specific plans for the occasion will begin to be drawn up toward the end of this year, although groups in town having ideas as to the role they would like to play in these celebrations are urged to bring them before a member of the committee so that they can be discussed and placed on the program of events.

Respectfully submitted,

Constance Dodge  
Clarence Farrar  
Clifton Foote  
Arthur Lord  
Donald A. Marsden  
Evelyn F. Vadney  
John R. Schott, Chairman



## FRANCESTOWN CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Commission was represented at Earth Day activities on April 22 at Durham, helping with an exhibition by the New England Wild Flower Preservation Society. In the Library, we had a display of books and materials relative to this day.

The 'roadside clean-up' was organized in May and many children and adults helped pick up the trash that is so unconcernedly thrown out to litter the landscape.

A drive was begun for the collection of dangerous and polluting pesticides and herbicides (containing DDT etc.) There is a barrel in the Library where one may still deposit such materials, wrapped in plastic. The contents are taken periodically to the Pesticides Control Board, Concord.

We are participating in the Piscataquog Watershed Association, New Boston, formed last Spring to preserve the scenic and recreational qualities of the river and its tributaries and to prevent pollution. Since Francestown is located in the watershed, it should be of concern to all of us.

At the Annual Conservation Commissions Meeting, November 17, in Bedford, it was voted to form the New Hampshire Association of Conservation Commissions. This is a voluntary, non-profit unincorporated Association. The purposes are to aid commission members in better discharging their duties under RSA 36A and to facilitate communications and mutual cooperation. It would be a source of environmental information including legislation and help commissions in their contacts with regulatory and resource agencies, and help to provide financial assistance. Based on population, the dues for the Francestown Conservation Commission are \$20.00 a year.

Because open burning of dumps will be finally prohibited in 1975, the New Boston Commission invited Mont Vernon and Francestown to join a discussion of problems of waste and garbage disposal and possible solutions.

We are working on maps showing land use; an index of open lands and wet lands; and, in conjunction with the Piscataquog Watershed Association, a map showing ownership of land along the river.

In addition, we are interested in keeping the Dam as an asset to the Town, and we would like to help in its repair and maintenance.

As individuals, we continue to give the Library memberships in The Audubon Society of New Hampshire and the New England Wild Flower Preservation Society (Library belongs to the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests) whose publications are of prime conservation importance.

The Commission meets on the first Monday of each month at 7:30 in the Library and welcomes your attendance.

Caroline M. Lord  
Liesel Gilman  
Patricia Place  
James O'Mahoney  
Priscilla Kunhardt

**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE  
DIVISION OF RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT  
WHITE PINE BLISTER RUST CONTROL**

Funds were appropriated by your municipality in 1970 to assist the Division of Resources Development in the joint federal, state and town effort to preserve the aesthetic and economic values of New Hampshire's white pine resource from depletion by the white pine blister rust disease. The following financial statement shows the total program expenditure and accomplishment in 1970. Your municipal cost and accomplishment is also included.

1970 Financial Statement

Total Municipal Contributions		\$15,177 16
Direct State Contributions	\$ 3,631 00	
Special Conservation Grant	1,500 00	
Total State Contributions	-----	5,131 00
Federal Financial Contribution	\$26,000 00	
Federal Technical Contribution	6,220 00	
Special Federal Technical Survey	12,553 95	
Total Federal Contributions	-----	\$44,773 95
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Total Program Contributions		\$65,082 11
Your Municipal Appropriation	125 00	
Portion of Appropriation Expended	125 00	
Balance Due Your Municipality	none	

1970 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Total Acreage Receiving Attention Statewide      198,491  
 Total Acreage Receiving Attention in Your Municipality 655  
 If a refund is due your municipality, a check is enclosed.

If you should wish further details on disease control, contact the local Technician-in-Charge of the project in your area or this office.

Sincerely yours,

THEODORE NATTI  
 Director of Resources

# **Marriages Registered in the Town of Francestown for the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1970**

<i>Date and Place of Marriage</i>	<i>Name and Surname of Groom and Bride</i>	<i>Residence of each at time of Marriage</i>	<i>Age</i>	<i>Place of Birth</i>	<i>Names of Parents</i>	<i>Birthplace of Parents</i>	<i>Name and Residence of Person By Whom Married</i>
Aug. 1 Francestown	D. Bruce Thompson Jeanne L. Caskie	Pasadena, Calif 43 Francestown	43	Vermont Massachusetts	Chester D. Thompson Florence Goodwin	Vermont Connecticut	Paul F. Martz Clergyman Francestown
Sept. 19 Francestown	Peter Maurice Flood Kathleen Myra Foote	Antrim Francestown	22 19	New Hampshire New Hampshire	John R. Litchfield Dorothy Keniston Wallace K. Flood Marion E. Cutter Clifton F. Foote	Massachusetts Vermont New Hampshire New Hampshire New Hampshire	Paul F. Martz Clergyman Francestown
Oct. 3 Francestown	Dennis Eugene Lamoureaux Nancy Jane Foote	Keene Francestown	27 24	New Hampshire New Hampshire	Elizabeth S. Champagne Alfred H. Lamoureaux Auora Vigneau Ernest Foote	Canada New York New Hampshire New Hampshire	Paul F. Martz Clergyman Francestown
Oct. 17 Goffstown	John Herman Miller Ingrid Ann Luscombe	Francestown Goffstown	22 21	New Hampshire New Hampshire	Herman C. Miller Dorothy E. Leland Richard B. Luscombe	New Hampshire New Hampshire New Hampshire	Robert W. LeVire Clergyman Manchester
Oct. 24 Francestown	George Walter Morgan Sandra Louise Jones	Francestown Francestown	24 19	New Hampshire New Hampshire	Eunice R. Yngve Arthur Donald Morgan Marion Idell Matthews Edward Elliott Jones	New Hampshire New Hampshire New Hampshire New Hampshire	Paul F. Martz Clergyman Francestown
Dec. 26 Francestown	John Alan Hutcheson Elizabeth Baker Oppenheimer	Allston, Mass Francestown	26 22	Florida Texas	Shirley Lorraine Harris John G. Hutcheson Martha Mahard John S. Oppenheimer Elizabeth Cushman	New Hampshire Massachusetts Massachusetts Virginia China	Armstrong Hunter Clergyman Springfield, Vt.

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief,  
 HERMAN C. MILLER, Town Clerk

### Births Registered in the Town of Francestown for the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1970

<i>Date of Birth</i>	<i>Place of Birth</i>	<i>Name of Child</i>	<i>Name of Father</i>	<i>Maiden Name of Mother</i>	<i>Residence of Parents</i>
July 24	Peterborough	Rebecca Jane Martz	F Paul Frederick Martz	Patricia Faith Warren	Francestown
Oct. 8	Manchester	Laura McLeod	F Donald Eugene McLeod	Carole Jean Woods	Francestown
Oct. 17	Peterborough	Jessica Anne Wiedman	F James Andrew Wiedman	Jolene Ann Ferguson	Francestown

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### Deaths Registered in the Town of Francestown for the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1970

<i>Date of Death</i>	<i>Place of Death</i>	<i>Name and Surname of the Deceased</i>	<i>Age</i>	<i>Place of Birth</i>	<i>Name of Father</i>	<i>Maiden Name of Mother</i>
Feb. 22	Peterborough	William Brooks Rice	64	Boston, Mass.	Walter Rice	Jenny Brooks
March 25	Peterborough	Dorothy Ridley Phillips	71	Searsport, Me.	Silas LeRoy Ridley	Mary Ann Dawley
April 23	Peterborough	William Joseph McQuade	82	Haverstraw, N. Y.	Pierre Macoullier	Melvina Harpin
Sept. 5	Francestown	Henry Arthur Shepherd	81	Peabody, Mass.	Thomas W. Shepherd	Clarissa (unknown)
Nov. 11	Peterborough	Ethel Vera Peterson		Henniker, N. H.	Loren Newman Spaulding	Ettie Etheline Dodge

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